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1. The First Camp Area of the 3rd Tank Div. was four kilometers from east to west and two kilometers from north to south. It was located southwest of Milovice Δ N 50-14, E 14-547 and west of the Milovice-Lysa nad Labem railroad. All the units located within this area were subordinate to the 3rd Tank Div.

2. [redacted] estimate the entire 3rd Tank Div. to have a complement of 6,000 men.

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3. [redacted]
During the hours of darkness, passwords were used in the restricted areas, i.e., the POL dump, ammunition dump, and unit garages. These passwords were issued daily to all personnel by a directive from camp headquarters. The password generally consisted of a two-digit number (example 19) and was employed in the following manner: upon entering a restricted area, the guard challenged the visitor by stating any one-digit number (example 4). The person being challenged had to give the proper supplement (example 15) so that the sum total would be the password, i.e. 19.

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AAA Unit

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the AA guns [redacted] were similar to a heavy AA gun.¹. All the guns [redacted] in the First Camp Area were used for training purposes and when not in use they were kept in or near garages.

5. [redacted] the gun barrels were elevated at an angle of approximately 90°. [redacted] The diameter of the bore was 12 cm. and the barrel length. two to three meters. [redacted] There was only one barrel per gun. 25X1

[redacted] Tatra III and Praga-RND trucks assigned to the AAA unit in the area. None of the guns were mounted on railroad cars nor were they permanently emplaced; they were merely set on the ground. In the First Camp Area [redacted] 14 to 16 guns which were set up for instructional purposes only in the AAA unit area, 100 m. apart. in the vicinity of the garages. 25X1

[redacted] no electrical motors, electric receiver dials, or parabolic disks. There were no searchlights in the area. 25X1

6. [redacted] this AAA unit and the AAA unit located in the Third Camp Area [redacted] were part of the same unit, since the personnel of both units rotated between the two camps weekly. The guns remained in each respective camp area, however. Personnel of both units wore a green uniform with red-bordered, black shoulder boards and AAA insignia, which consisted of an AA gun with an aircraft above it /Encl. B [redacted] Sketch of the AAA Shoulder Board⁷. [redacted] 25X1

ENCLOSURES:

- A. [redacted] Sketch of the First Camp Area
- B. [redacted] Sketch of the AAA Shoulder Board

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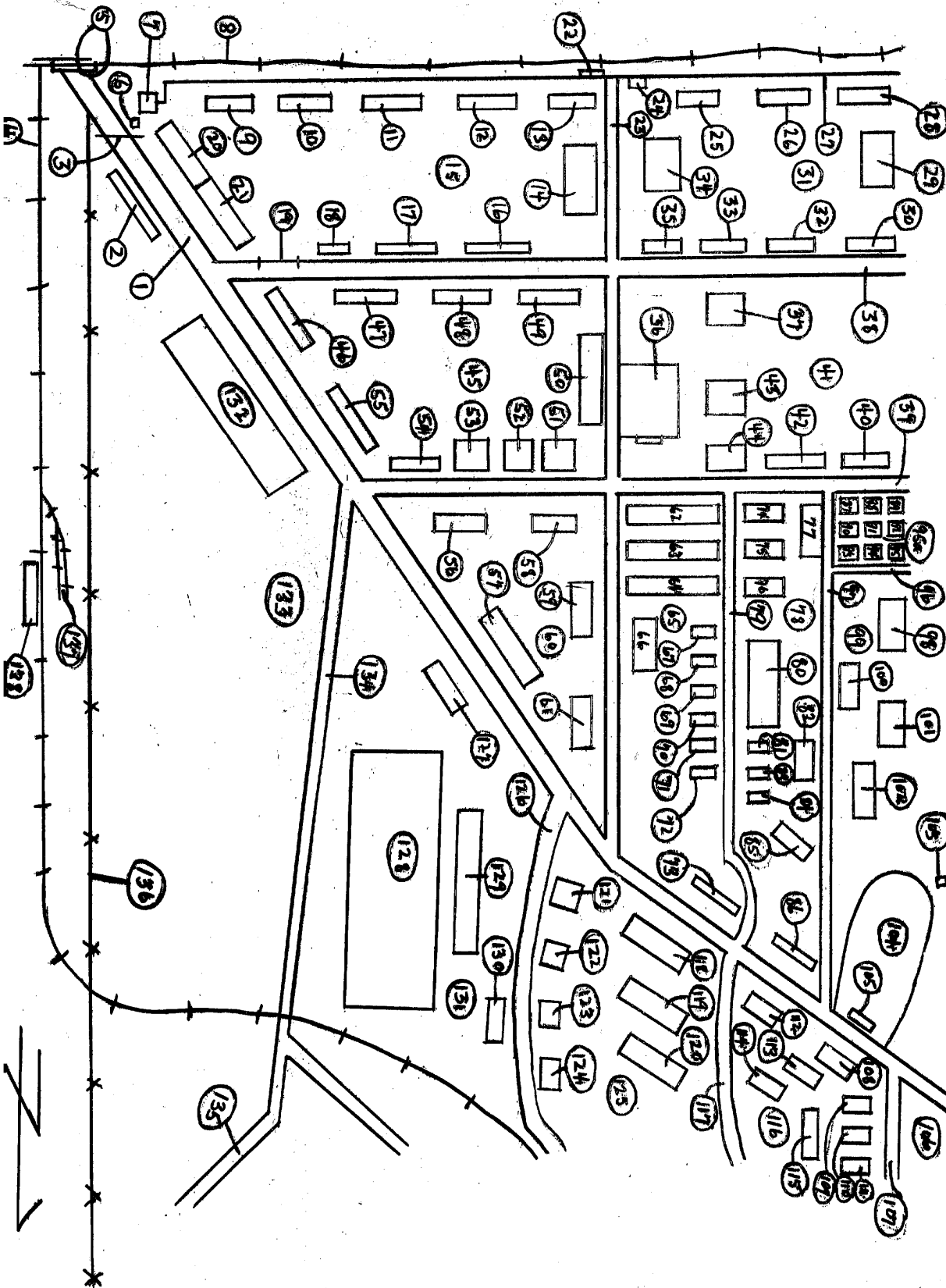
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Sketch of the First Camp Area

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ENCLOSURE A. (Cont'd)

Legend to  Sketch of the First Camp Area

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Point # 1. Milovice-Benatecka Vrutice Road.

2. Building: single-story, brown, wooden building treated with a preservative; 25 x 6 x 3 m.; had a low-pitched, tar-papered gable roof; the Divisional Officer of the Day, his assistant, and a messenger were located here.
3. Entrance: main entrance to the area; two armed guards detailed from the various Army units in the area were posted here; a railroad barrier was across the entrance.
4. Railroad: single-track; standard Czechoslovak gauge; located 10 m. from the eastern edge of the area; ran from Lysa nad Labem to Milovice.
5. Railroad Gate:
6. Guard Shack: hexagonal wooden structure, painted with alternating red, white, and blue 'V's; 1 x 1 x 2 m.; had a tar-paper gable roof; used by the guards posted at the entrance.
7. Pass Building: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; 4 x 4 x 3 m.; had a tar-papered shed roof; all visitors and civilians were issued temporary passes at this building; six sentries used the building - two who issued passes, two who were on duty at the entrance, and two relief guards.
8. New Railroad Spur.
- 9 through 13 and 16 through 18
Billets: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; each 15 x 5 x 3 m.; had tar-covered, low-pitched, gable roofs; used by the EM of the rail transport unit based in the First Camp Area.
14. Mess Hall: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; 15 x 5 x 3 m.; had a tar-covered, low-pitched gable roof; used by the EM of the rail transport unit.
15. Concrete Area: 60 x 15 m.; used by the rail transport unit as a drill and calisthenics area.
19. Entrance to the RR Transport Bn. Area: the area was enclosed by a steel mesh fence two meters high; the entrance consisted of a railroad barrier.
- 20 and 21
Workshops: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; each 15 x 5 x 3 m.; had tar-covered, low-pitched, gable roofs; buildings were joined; contained saws, lathes, welding machines, and other equipment for light maintenance work carried out by the Rail Transport Battalion.
22. RR Passenger Station: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick building; 5 x 5 x 3 m.; had a tar-covered shed roof.
23. Sidewalk: concrete; 150 m. long and 2 m. wide.

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24. Entrance: consisted of a steel gate two by two meters which was always kept locked, except when a train stopped at the station.
25. 26, 28 through 30, and 32 through 35
Garages: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; each 25 x 8 x 4 m.; had green, corrugated tin, low-pitched shed roofs; on the north side of each garage was a corrugated tin sliding door which worked vertically; T-34 and T-49 tanks were kept in these garages. 25X1
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27. Fence: steel mesh; two meters high; was a continuation, on the south side only, of the fence enclosing the RR Transport Bn. area /Pt. 19/. This fence extended almost to the town of Benatecka Vrutice.
31. Tank Parking Area: concrete; 60 x 15 m.
36. Theater: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick building; 20 x 20 x 8 m.; had a red tile, hipped roof; the officers of the 3rd Tank Div. also held their meetings here.
37. Garage: same type of construction and dimensions as other garages /Pt. 25/, except that AAA guns were stored here; throughout the entire First Camp Area there was a total of 14 to 16 AAA guns. 25X1
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38. Road: concrete; four meters wide; one-way traffic, from east to west.
39. Road: two-lane; asphalt; six meters wide.
- 40 and 42 through 44
Garages: same type of construction and dimensions as other garages /Pt. 25/, except that the AAA Unit kept 34 to 5-ton trucks here 25X1
41. AAA Parking Area: cobblestoned; 60 x 60 m; was used by the AAA Unit for training purposes, cleaning the AAA guns, and as a parking area for trucks and guns.
45. Parking Area: cobblestoned; 60 m. long on the south side, 45 m. long on the north and 30 m. wide; used for parking and cleaning the passenger cars, busses, and jeeps of the 3rd Tank Div.
- 46 through 49 and 51 through 55
Garages: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; each 10 x 4 x 4 m.; had tar-papered, low-pitched, gable roofs; the vehicles of the Division were kept here.
50. Officers' Mess Hall: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; 20 x 10 x 8 m. 25X1
- 56 through 59
Billets: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; had red tile, low-pitched, gable roofs; each housed 30 to 40 EM of the Signal Bn. of the 3rd Tank Div.
60. Drill Field: gravel surfaced, triangular area, 30 x 30 x 60 m.; the troops of the Signal Bn. drilled here.
61. Classroom Building: description and dimensions same as for billets described above /Pt. 56/; such related Signal Corps subjects as electronics, Morse code, radio and telephone procedures and maintenance were taught here.

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62 through 64 and 74 through 76

Billets: two-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; each 25 x 8 x 10 m.; had red tile, gable roofs; capacity unknown; for the enlisted personnel of the tank unit of the 3rd Tank Div.

65. Grassy Area.

66 through 72

Billets: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; each 15 x 6 x 8 m.; had red tile, gable roofs; for the enlisted personnel of the AAA unit of the 3rd Tank Div.

73. Mess Hall: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick, 50 x 10 x 8 m.; had a red tile, gable roof; used by the enlisted personnel of the signal corps, engineer and field artillery units stationed in the area.

77. Mess Hall: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; 40 x 8 x 8 m.; had a red tile, gable roof; utilized by the enlisted personnel of the unknown field artillery and tank units.

78. Gravel Surfaced Area.

79. Sidewalk: asphalt; three meters wide.

80. BOQ: two-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; 50 x 10 x 10 m.; had a red tile, gable roof, at the center of which was a clock tower four meters high, with clocks on the east and west sides.

81. Post Office: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; 10 x 6 x 8 m.; had a red tile, gable roof.

82. Telephone Center: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; 10 x 6 x 8 m.; had a red tile, gable roof; the switchboard maintained communications with the First, Second, and Third Camps of the 3rd Tank Div. as well as with Milovice and Lysa nad Labem; this center was operated by civilian operators, three to a shift.

83 through 85

Billets: description and dimensions same as for billets previously described /Pt. 62/; used by the enlisted personnel of the engineer unit.

86. First Camp Area Dispensary: single-story, brown, wooden building treated with a preservative; 30 x 10 x 4 m.; had a tar-papered, low-pitched, gable roof; building contained bed accommodations for mild illnesses lasting two or three days at the most.

87 through 95

Billets: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; each 12 x 12 x 8 m.; had red tile, gable roofs; used by the enlisted personnel of the AAA unit.

96 and 97

Sidewalks: asphalt; three meters wide.

98. 3rd Tank Div. Hq.: three-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; 40 x 15 x 15 m.; had a red tile, gable roof atop which was a single-strand clothesline-type antenna; the first and second floors contained various

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staff and administrative offices of the 3rd Tank Div. as well as that of the Commanding Officer, Lt. Col CILC (fnu); Source had no information as to the contents of the third floor; this building contained 80 WSC transmitters and one TORN EB receiver [redacted] 25X1

99. Grassy Area: dimensions unknown; was built up like a park, with walks, trees, and hedges.
100. Army Aircraft Warning Service Building: two-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; 20 x 8 x 8 m., had a red tile, gable roof, atop which was one double clothes-line-type antenna.
101. BOQ: two-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; 30 x 10 x 10 m.; had a red tile, gable roof.
102. Shoe Repair Shop: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; 20 x 8 x 8 m.; had a red tile, gable roof; the shop was operated by ten civilian employees.
103. Army Aircraft Spotting Tower: brown, wooden structure, built on stilts 25 m. high and treated with a preservative; [redacted] it 25X1
was topped by a four-sided gable roof; this tower was located on a hill 500 to 800 m. northwest of the Army Aircraft Warning Service Building /Pt.100/.
104. Open Air Theater: grassy area 70 x 50 meters, which contained wooden seats.
105. Theater Stage: wooden structure without a roof; 8 x 8 x 4 m.
106. Grass Drill Area.
107. Road: two-lane; dirt; six meters wide; led to the Second Camp Area.
- 108 through 115
Classroom Buildings: single-story, brown, wooden structures; each 15 x 8 x 8 m.; treated with a preservative; had tar-papered low-pitched, gable roofs; used for classroom instructions by the AAA, engineer, tank corps, chemical corps, signal corps, artillery and auto transport units; [redacted] 25X1
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116. Grass and Dirt Drill Area.
117. Road: two-lane; dirt; six meters wide; led into the Second Camp Area.
118. Billet: single-story, brown wooden structure treated with a preservative; 15 x 8 x 8 m.; had a tar-papered, low-pitched, gable roof; was used by the enlisted personnel of the chemical unit.
119. Stables: single-story, brown wooden structure treated with a preservative; 15 x 8 x 8 m.; had a tar-papered, low-pitched, gable roof; horses were used for various hauling jobs [redacted] 25X1

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120. Wagon Shed: description and dimensions same as for stables / Pt. 119/.
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Garages: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; each 25 x 8 x 8 m.; had dark green, corrugated tin, barrel-shell roofs; trucks and field pieces of the Field Artillery Unit were kept here.¹
125. Dirt and Concrete Area: [redacted] 25X1
 the area was used for cleaning guns and trucks.
126. Road: two-lane; dirt; six meters wide.
127. Gymnasium: single-story, brown wooden structure treated with a preservative; 40 x 10 x 8 m.; had a tar-papered, low-pitched, gable roof.
128. Stadium: grassy area 150 x 50 m.; used for all athletic events as well as reviews.
129. Reviewing Stand: brown, wooden structure; 50 x 15 m.; eight meters high on the west side; the seats and platform were covered with a tar-papered roof.
130. Apartment Building: two-story, light tan, stuccoed-brick; 25 x 10 x 12 m.; had a red tile, gable roof; used by the civilians employed at the camp.
131. Grassy Drill Area.
132. Workshop: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; 60 x 20 x 8 m.; had a red tile, gable roof; contained cranes, welding machines, lathes, and other equipment used for the repair and maintenance of the tanks, autos, and trucks of the 3rd Tank Div.; military and civilian personnel were employed in this building.
133. Grassy Drill Area.
134. Road: two-lane; dirt; six meters wide; led to the anti-tank range.
135. Road: two-lane; dirt; six meters wide; led to Milovice.
136. Fence: steel mesh; two meters high; formed the eastern boundary of the First Camp Area.
137. RR Siding.
138. Milovice RR Station: single-story, gray, stuccoed-brick; 20 x 8 x 8 m.; had a red tile, gable roof; contained a passenger waiting room, a ticket office, and a transportation office.

[redacted] Comment: [redacted] 25X1
 the guns [redacted] similar to the 122 mm. 1910/30 howitzer and the 76 mm. M1939 field gun [redacted]

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ENCLOSURE B .

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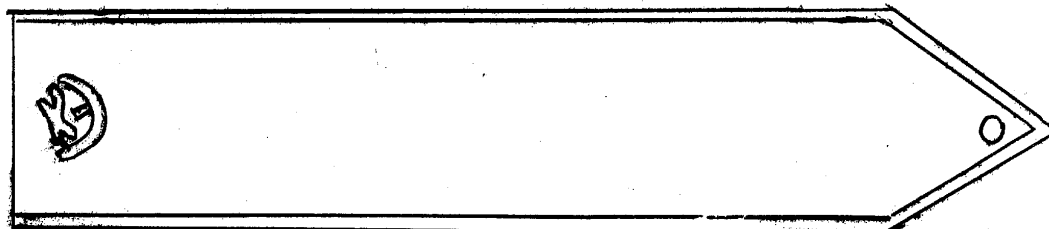
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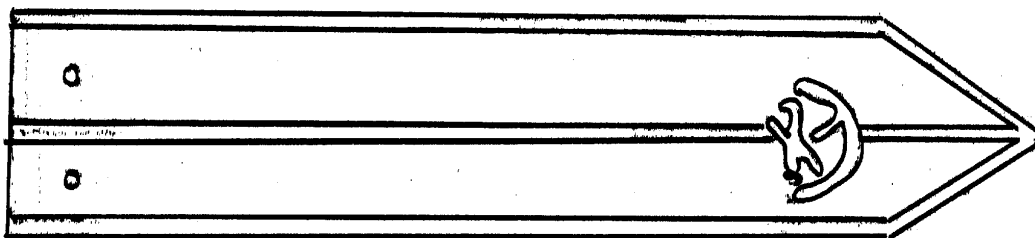
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Enlisted Man's Shoulder Board



Officer's Shoulder Board



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